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4 June 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Director, Intelligence Community Staff

FROM: Eloise R. Page  
Chairman, Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

25X1 SUBJECT: Propriety of SIG(I) Consideration of Narcotics Intelligence  
Priorities [redacted]

25X1 1. Action Requested: That you approve the recommendation at paragraph 8  
deferring SIG(I) consideration of the question of priority attached to  
narcotics intelligence. [redacted]

25X1 2. The CIPC Study on International Narcotics recommended that the SIG(I)  
address the question of priority attached to narcotics intelligence. The  
Study also recommended that the SIG(I) develop a policy/requirements statement  
for use by USG elements concerned with narcotics intelligence. [redacted]

25X1 3. This recommendation reflects the current dynamics of the narcotics  
collection effort where not all consumers agree on the programmed mix of  
resources that are being allocated by the Community to narcotics intelligence  
collection. The State Department, in particular the Bureau for International  
Narcotics Matters, has on occasion expressed its concern over what it  
perceives as a shift on the part of the Community from the more traditional  
collection objectives of host government attitudes, etc., to the collection of  
intelligence to support the US interdiction effort as well as narcotics  
financial intelligence. [redacted]

25X1 4. However, no consumer appears willing to broach its individual  
complaint via any available formal mechanism within the Intelligence  
Community. Lacking any such initiative by either a member of the intelli-  
gence or law enforcement community, it seems inappropriate at this time  
for the SIG(I) to arbitrate either perceived or real differences of opinion  
among narcotics intelligence consumers. [redacted]

SECRET, [redacted]



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25X1 5. The full membership of the CIPC Narcotics Working Group, including the A/NIO/Narcotics, met on 9 May 1984 and, without reservation, endorsed the above viewpoint, noting that the Working Group could return to this question as part of its final report due to the DDCI on 30 September 1984. This report will focus on several issues affecting narcotics collection priorities. [REDACTED]

25X1 7. We have discussed this issue with the NIO/Narcotics and he concurs in the following recommendation. [REDACTED]

25X1 8. Recommendation: That SIG(I) consideration of the narcotics priority question be deferred pending the completion of a final report by the CIPC Narcotics Working Group by 30 September 1984 on several related narcotics issues, including ways and means to improve qualitatively the specific kinds of intelligence information needed to combat the narcotics problem and that a final decision with respect to SIG(I) involvement be made at that time. [REDACTED]

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APPROVED:

/S/ John N. McMahon

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

18 JUN 1984

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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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